

1 AN ACT concerning public aid.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Public Aid Code is amended by
5 adding Section 5-5.25 as follows:

6 (305 ILCS 5/5-5.25 new)

7 Sec. 5-5.25. Rates for home health services. On and after
8 July 1, 2006, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services
9 shall reimburse providers of home health services under this
10 Article using a phased-in rate increase as follows:

11 (1) For services provided from July 1, 2006 through
12 June 30, 2007, the rate shall be \$70 per visit.

13 (2) For services provided on or after July 1, 2007, the
14 rate shall be \$80 per visit.

15 These rate increases apply to skilled nursing visits,
16 physical therapy visits, occupational therapy visits, and
17 speech therapy visits. The rate for home health aide visits
18 shall be \$61.34 for all such services provided on or after July
19 1, 2006.

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
21 becoming law.